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Applicants: Mukerji et al.

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SYNTHASE PATHWAYS AND USES
THEREOF

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement contained in the Office Action of February 9, 2006, Applicants respectfully elect Group I (i.e., 1, 2, 5-9 and 12-16), with traverse.

Further, Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications in the future in connection with the non-elected groups.

Additionally, please amend the above-identified application as follows prior to an examination on the merits:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.